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§5A-334.

- (a) There is an Archaeology Office in the Trust.
- (b)
  - (1) The Archaeology Office includes a research unit.
  - (2) The research unit shall:
    - (i) engage in and direct fundamental archaeological research;
    - (ii) synthesize existing research information; and
    - (iii) encourage archaeological research and investigation by museums, institutions of higher education, and scientific and historical institutions and organizations in the State.
- (c)
  - (1) The Director shall employ a Chief Archaeologist, a State Terrestrial Archaeologist, and a State Underwater Archaeologist in accordance with § 5A-316 of this subtitle.
  - (2)
    - (i) Each archaeologist employed under this subsection shall have an advanced degree in archaeology or a closely related field from an accredited college or university.
    - (ii) The Chief Archaeologist shall be a professional archaeologist.
  - (3) The Chief Archaeologist is the administrative head of the Archaeology Office.
- (d)
  - (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Archaeology Office includes all staff members of the Trust who are archaeologists or hired to perform archaeological work, including those who may be assigned archaeological-related functions in other units of the Trust.
  - (2) The Archaeology Office does not include individuals specifically assigned to a park, museum, or other site-specific facility under the jurisdiction of the Trust.

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